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Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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Agricultural Summary

Temperatures again reached 90 degrees this week. Days suitable for field work was 6.7. Crops continue to progress around the state. Livestock continues to do well.

Field Crops Summary

Emery and Beaver County report that water supplies for the county are adequate for now and crops continue to progress well. Box Elder reports that nearly all corn is planted and harvesting of 1st crop alfalfa hay is well underway. Wheat and barley are just starting to head, while 1st crop alfalfa hay is about 50 percent cut in the Bear River Valley. Cache County reports that growers are also harvesting 1st crop alfalfa hay, but reports indicate that the cereal leaf beetle and the alfalfa weevil are beginning to become a problem within the county.

Livestock Summary

Livestock producers around the state are still concerned because the ranges are drying out quickly. Garfield County reports that more moisture is still needed for their pastures. Summit as well as Box Elder County reports that dry conditions are still a major concern amongst ranchers. Ranchers in Summit County are still moving their livestock to summer ranges.

Crop Progress for Week Ending May 20, 2007

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Oats Planted	93	87	90	88
Oats Emerged	70	59	63	68
Spring Wheat Emerged	97	92	88	91
Winter Wheat Head Stage	17	5	14	9
Corn Planted	73	53	77	67
Alfalfa First Cutting	18	0	15	14

Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending May 20, 2007

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Range & Pasture	1	10	37	51	1
Winter Wheat	0	0	29	57	14
Sheep	0	2	12	80	6

Livestock Percent for Week Ending May 20, 2007

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Sheep Moved to Summer Range	41	27	36	28
Sheep Sheared on Farm	84	84	99	98
Sheep Sheared on Range	80	79	89	91
Ewes Lambed on Range	80	77	83	89

Soil Moisture for Week Ending May 20, 2007

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Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	
Topsoil	1	40	59	0	
Subsoil	3	31	66	0	
Irrigation water supplies	5	29	66	0	
Stock water supplies	1	20	79	0	